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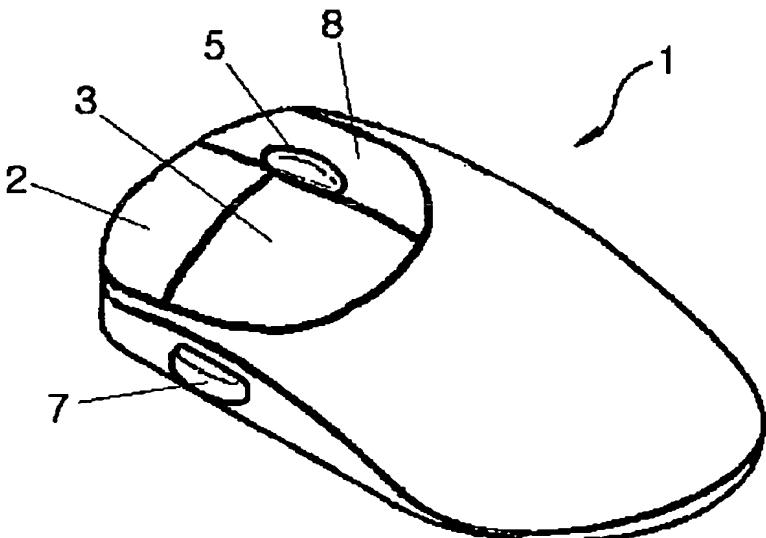
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(57) Abstract: Disclosed herein is an input device for a computer system. The input system having a mouse with a plurality of pointers and a keyboard includes one or more activation selecting portions, a generation selecting portion, a position detecting portion and a driver. The activation selecting portions activate at least one of the pointers of the mouse. The generation selecting portion select the generation of at least one pointer. The position detecting portion is mounted on a side of the mouse to detect movement of the mouse. The driver activates and generates the pointer in response to the selection of the activation selecting portions and the generation selecting portion, respectively, and controls the movement of the pointer in response to detection results output from the position detecting portion.

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